

Exceptional Children Information for Parents

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NC Transition Toolkit for Parents

The State Transition Team at DPI and additional Stakeholders have put together a LiverBinder for parents. This virtual notebook is filled with information for parents and students in high school. The information is specifically geared towards transition planning of the IEP and preparing for life after high school.

Jackie Kelty says it best on the welcome page: "As the parent of a child born with special needs who is now an adult, I wish I had the benefit the information contained in a toolkit such as this. It is never too early (or never too late) for planning and dreaming for the future for your child. This toolkit contains a wealth of resources and information to assist you with planning for your child. Some of the tabs and information may or may not apply to your loved one, so take from this what you find helpful. You are the expert on your child and navigating the transition to adulthood for your son or daughter is an exciting, yet sometimes challenging time."

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<http://www.livebinders.com/b/2157488>

Upcoming

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- AMD/Low Vision Awareness Month
- Marfan awareness Month
- 6th: Feeding Tube Awareness Week
- 7th: Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week
- 14th: Donor Day
- 15th: International Angelman Day
- 28th: Rare Disease Awareness Day

2020 Matthew C. Graziadei Achievement Scholarship Award

- The deadline for applying for this scholarship is February 12, 2020. Visit: <https://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/scholarship-deadline-approaching-apply-now/> for more information.

Family Support Network of NC

<http://www.fsnnc.org/node/114>

- NAMI Connections (mental health)
- Caregiver Group Meetings
- Grandparent & Kinship Support Group
- Adolescent Support Group for Chronic Medical Conditions

NC Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference

- February 26-28, 2020 at the Joseph Koury Convention Center, Greensboro, NC. Visit: <https://community.cec.sped.org/nc/chapter/s/new-item> for more information & to register.

ECAC Webinars

- Feb. 18 from 6-7: Self-Advocacy & Self-Determination

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